




MEMORANDUM

To: Virginia Transit Operators
From: Matthew O. Tucker 
Date: February 29, 2008
Subject: Revised Transportation Revenue Forecast

On February 25th, Secretary Homer communicated information on the cumulative effect of current reductions in anticipated transportation revenues. In this memo he mentioned that transit allocations will be reduced by approximately 10%.

As a follow-up to this message, the projected impact for the next five years on state mass transit allocations has been posted on the DRPT Web site at www.drpt.virginia.gov. These projections are shown by transportation district and are based on FY 2008 allocations. The spreadsheet provides insight into the current funding outlook, and will guide DRPT as the agency works to update the Six-Year Improvement Program in the coming months. This information is for illustrative purposes. Actual allocations will depend on applications received and eligibility requirements for state funds.

These reductions will challenge our ability to collaboratively advance transit projects. With the state revenue outlook declining and transit operators facing significant cost increases for items such as fuel and health care, together we face some difficult decisions regarding our operating and administrative costs as well as the consideration of specific capital projects to advance. DRPT will continue to work with you and your staff to ensure that the Commonwealth's mass transit resources are maximized to the greatest extent possible.

Please feel free to contact Steve Pittard, Chief Financial Officer, with any questions at 804-786-5756 or steve.pittard@drpt.virginia.gov.

c: The Honorable Pierce R. Homer, Secretary of Transportation
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